



**Approved baseline and monitoring methodology /  
methodological tool clarification response form  
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**Summary of the request for clarification**

**Original text from PP:**

Both methodologies indicate that a passenger survey needs to be realized in year 1 and 4 of the crediting period independent if the project has a 7 or 10 year crediting period.

The question is: If the project has a 10-year crediting period can we use a survey realized for the 3 previous years without surveys e.g. we make a survey in the year 10 and want to use it for the years 7 to 10.

Another example is DMRC project (project 4463). The last survey was realized 2015 and used for issuance until June 2018. We suggest to use the new survey of 2021 (due to COVID the survey cannot be realized in 2020) for the years 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021.

The methodology allows to use the same survey for various years (in the case of a 10 year period in fact for 7 years).

Our clarification question based on this fact is if we can use a newer survey during the crediting period retroactive for the previous 3 years. We propose that this is considered as acceptable as passenger survey results only change marginal from one year to another and thus using a survey from year x and applying it to 3 years before or 3 years after is the same approach and gives the same precision level.

**Clarification by the secretariat or Panel / WG**

The Meth Panel would like to thank the author for the submission. The Meth Panel is of the view that the clarification requested should not trigger any amendment to the requirements of the methodologies and clarifies that the use of newer survey retroactive for the 3 previous years should be addressed by following the procedures for requesting a deviation of the monitoring plan as per the provisions of the latest version of the Project Cycle Procedure for Project Activities (PCP-PA). In this regard, the proponent may also refer to the clarifications provided by the EB in paragraph 49 of EB 106 meeting report regarding difficulties faced by project proponents in the monitoring of project activities due to various restrictions under the COVID-19 pandemic.

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